

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

A. 20TH FTR GP - MAJ. JOHSON LEADING.

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B. 45 P-38'S (16 - 55TH), (14 - 77TH), (15- 79TH). UP 1220. DOWN 1717.

C. 1 P-38

D. F.O.#282, PENETRATION, TARGET AND W/D SUPPORT.

E. THRU H. - NIL.

I. L/F IN 1314 GRANDCAMP, 22,000 FEET. R/V 1426, 3RD DIV B-17'S AT SEA

25 MILES WEST OF MIMIZAN 25,000 FEET. TGT 1454 18,000 FEET. W/D 1530

TALMONT 17,000 FEET. L/F OUT POINT DE LA PERCE 10,000 FEET. NO E/A SEEN.

BOMBER FORMATION EXCELLENT. BOMBING APPEARED EXCELLENT. AT CAZAUX AND BORDEAUX.

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55TH FIGHTER SQUADRON F-368

MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

- A. 55TH - MAJOR MCAULEY
- B. 16 UP 1219 - 16 DOWN 1723
- C. NIL
- D. BOMBER ESCORT - FIELD ORDER #282
- E. THRU H. NIL

1. L/F IN 1320, PT. DE LA PERCEE, 22,000 FEET. R/V 1425, 26,000 FEET AS BRIEFED. BOMBER FORMATION GOOD, SQUARE INSIGNIA. FIVE PLUS ENEMY A/C SEEN TAKING OFF A/D AT CAZAUX. EXCELLENT BOMBING OF THIS A/D BY BOMBERS. THREE SHIP CONVOY SEEN OFF CAPE FERRET, HEADING NORTH, DOING VIOLENT EVASIVE ACTION. TWO CHUTES, ONE YELLOW, SEEN NEAR DOMFRONT. BLACK SMOKE SEEN AT ABOUT 15,000 FEET AND TWO FIRES SEEN ON THE GROUND NEAR WOODS NEAR DOMFRONT. W/D 1529, GROUIN DU COU PT., 17,000 FEET. L/F OUT 1615, ST. AUBIN, 10,000 FEET. LIGHT ACCURATE FLAK FROM WESTERN POINT OF ILE DE RE.

FIELD ORDER #282
27 MARCH, 1944
BOMBER ESCORT
TARGET - BORDEAUX

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MISSION SUMMARY REPORT

MARCH 27, 1944

- A. 77TH FIGHTER SQUADRON, 20TH FIGHTER GROUP AAF, CAPT. GUSTKE LEADING.
- B. 14 UP AT 1221, DOWN AT 1710.
- C. ONE
- D. PENETRATION AND TARGET SUPPORT, FIELD ORDER NO. 282.
- E. NIL.
- F. NIL.
- G. NIL.
- H. NIL.

I. LANDFALL IN AT 1314 A T 18,000 FT, OVERCAST OVER COAST MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO PIN POINT BUT BELIEVE IT WAS JUST EAST OF CHERBOURG PENINSULA. R/V WITH 3RD DIV. B-17S SIXTEEN (16) MILES WEST OF MINIZAN-LES-BAINS ON COAST AT 25,000 FT AT 1422. ESCORTED BOMBERS AROUND TARGET AND UNTIL 1530 WHEN WE WITHDREW AT 21,000 FT NEAR TALMONT. L/F OUT GRANDCAMP LES B-1621-17,000 FT. NO F/A SEEN. FLAK LIGHT AND INMACCULATE OVER ILLE DE RE AND HEAVY ON BOMBERS OVER BORDEAUX. BOMBING OBSERVED AT BORDEAUX AND CAZAUX VERY MUCH SMOKE AND FLAMES SEEN. SMOKE POTS OVER NANTES, BORDEAUX AND SE OF BORDEAUX. SAW B-24S AND P-47S, ONE BIG BOAT AND APPROX. ~~XXIX~~ TWELVE LITTLE BOATS, SEEN SCATTERING ABOUT IN BAY OF BISCAY, NW OF BORDEAUX. SEEMED TO HAVE BEEN SCARED BY BOMBERS. TWO ROCKETS FIRED NEAR ~~XXIX~~ AIGLON BAY TRAILING WHITE SMOKE. TWO FIGHTERS SEEN IN MID AIR COLLISION, ONE HITTING GROUND NEAR ~~EYEMEX EYEM~~ CAEN, TWO SHUTES SEEN. FOUR TE AIRPLANES SEEN IN BEHIND ~~MMNGAR~~ AT CAEN AIRFIELD. BOMB BURSTS AND BLA CK SMOKE ALSO SEEN AT BORDEAUX.

MISSION REPORT

27 March 1944

- A. 79th Fighter Squadron Major H. E. Johnson, leading
 B. 15 P-38s Up: 1211; Down: 1720
 C. Nil
 D. Ramrod - Penetration, target and withdrawal support - F.O. # 282
 Bordeaux
 E. Nil
 F. Nil
 G. Nil
 H.O-O-O

- I. In: Grandcamp - 1314 - 20,000 ft.
~~R/V: 1449 - 23,000 ft.~~
 R/V: Approx. 44 30 - 01 40 - 1420 - 20,000 ft.
 Tgt. 1449 - 23,000 ft.
 W/D: 1535 - 18,000 ft. - Les Sables
 Out: Pte. De La Percee - 1615

No E/A seen except 6 u. s. e. taking off from A/D south of Bordeaux.
 No bombers seen in trouble. 2 planes seen going down S. W. of Caen
 about 1605 and one chute seen. Planes not identified.

R/T good.

Convoy of 8 to 12 ships seen at mouth of La Gironde taking evasive
 action and throwing up AA fire. Heavy flak in target area and at
 Bordeaux.

~~Light~~ Lights seen on Alderney Island.

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

F.O. 282DATE 27 March 1944.

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a. Designation of Unit	20th Fighter Group
b. Time of Landing	1717
c. Aircraft MYR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	Landfall in 1314, Point De La Percee 22,000 feet. R/V 1426 3rd. Div. B-17'S at sea 25 miles West of Mimizan 25,000 feet. Target 1454, 18,000 feet. W/D Pt. De. Da Percee 10,000 feet. No E/A seen. 6 ships Mouth of Gironde. 4 ships off Cape Ferret heading north. 1 M/V 3 escort 14401...
f. Weather - Battle damage	

TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

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a. Designation of Unit	55th Fighter Squadron.
b. Time of Landing	1723.
c. Aircraft NVR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed <input type="checkbox"/> Probable <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Brief description of Mission	Landfall in 1320 Pt. De La Percee, 22,000 feet. R/V 1425 26,000 feet as briefed. B-17's 3th Div. 6 E/A off Cazaux, A/D. 4 ship convoy heading North of Cape Ferret 1 M/V 3 smaller craft. W/D 1529, Grouin Du Cou Pt., 17,000 feet. Chutes seen and 2 planes hit ground in flames near Domfront.
f. Weather - Battle damage	Out 1615 St. Aubin 10,000 feet. La Rochelle light accurate flak. Bombing results marvelous....

TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

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a. Designation of Unit	77th Fighter Squadron,
b. Time of Landing	1710
c. Aircraft NTR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed 0 Probable 0 Damaged 0
e. Brief description of Mission	Overcast on way in believe on course. Land fall in 1314 at 18,000 feet. R/V 3rd Div. B-17's. 16 miles West French Coast, Mimizan 26,000 feet 1422. W/D 1530 21,000 feet Les Sables.
f. Weather - Battle Damage	Landfall out 1621, 17,000 feet East of Cherbourg. P-38's and P47's. Good bombing results. Flak light. Flak heavy near bombers. Smoke pots over Nantes. Caen - two fighters collided....

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TELEPHONE FLASH REPORT

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a. Designation of Unit	79th Fighter Squadron.
b. Time of Landing	1725
c. Aircraft NVR (State if believed Lost)	NIL
d. Estimated Claims	Destroyed <input type="checkbox"/> Probable <input type="checkbox"/> Damaged <input type="checkbox"/>
e. Brief description of Mission	Flew course as briefed except R/V 6 minutes late. No E/A. Except 6 bogies. South of Bordeaux airdrome (bombing). Wovoy 8 to 12 ships West of Mouth of R Gironde River. Turned circle and strafed throwing up flak. Flak at Rochefort (rocket type) at Caen two planes seen going down. Two chutes seen to open...
f. Weather - Battle Damage	

